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NOTICIAS OF JUNE 4 CARRIED FOLLOWING ARTICLE ON SOVIET
DIPLOMATIC MISSION TO ESTABLISH FUTURE EMBASSY IN MOZAMBIQUE:

A DIPLOMATIC MISSION FROM THE SOVIET UNION IS IN LOURENCO
MARQUES TO ESTABLISH CONTACTS WITH THE TRANSITIONAL GOVERNMENT.

THE SUBJECT MISSION, COMPOSED OF SIX MEMBERS, IS LED BY ARKDI
GLUKHOV, MINISTER EXTRAORDINARY AND PLENIPOTENTIARY FROM
THAT COUNTRY, AND BORIS SINELCHITCHKOV (DEPUTY CHIEF OF SUBJECT
MISSION), WHO ARE IN MOZAMBIQUE FOR NECESSARY, PRACTICAL
CONTACTS AND FRIENDSHIP WITH THE MOZAMBIKAN GOVERNMENT TO
CREATE INDISPENSABLE CONDITIONS FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE
EMBASSY OF THE SOVIET UNION IN LOURENCO MARQUES AFTER JUNE 25.
APPROACHED BY THE MEDIA UPON ARRIVAL IN THE CAPITAL, ARKDI
GLUKHOV, WHO ASIDE FROM DIPLOMAT IS PROFESSOR OF AFRICAN
AFFAIRS IN VARIOUS EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS IN THE SOVIET
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UNION, DECLARED IT WAS A GREAT HONOR FOR THE MISSION TO COME

TO MOZAMBIQUE, A COUNTRY ON THE EVE OF DECLARING INDEPENDENCE.

ARKDI GLUKHOV, WHO KNEW PERSONALLY EDUARDO MONDLANE, FIRST PRESIDENT OF FRELIMO, IN THE MEETINGS WITH HIM NOT ONLY IN THE SOVIET UNION BUT ALSO IN THE VARIOUS AFRICAN COUNTRIES, STATED FURTHER: QUOTE. ASIDE FROM HAVING THE HONOR OF BEING THE FIRST OFFICIAL REPRESENTATIVE OF THE SOVIET GOVERNMENT, I MUST POINT OUT THAT MY COUNTRY OBSERVES WITH GREAT INTEREST AND SYMPATHY THE MOZAMBIKAN PEOPLE CONSTRUCTING AN INDEPENDENT STATE WITH WHICH THE SOVIET UNION IS PREPARED TO COLLABORATE AS IT ALWAYS HAS, SUPPORTING FRELIMO IN ITS STRUGGLE FOR INDEPENDENCE.

I WAS PLACED IN CHARGE OF AN IMPORTANT MISSION AND WANT TO EXPRESS THE HOPE THAT FRIENDLY AND COOPERATIVE RELATIONS WILL BE STRENGTHENED INCREASINGLY, WAITING FOR FUTURE DEVELOPMENT IN THIS NEW PHASE, NAMELY THE ESTABLISHMENT OF AN INDEPENDENT AND SOVEREIGN STATE. END QUOTE.
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